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For SIGNAL PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHODS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initiating the Examination of the above-described continuation application, Applicants herewith submit the following Preliminary Amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 1 and add the following claim:

2. A method of communicating and controlling the reception or presentation of programming in a network, said network comprising a programming origination station, an intermediate transmission station, and one or more subscriber stations, said intermediate transmission station receiving programming and control signals from said programming origination station and transmitting programming and control signals to 5

said one or more subseriber stations and said one or more subscriber stations

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